Purchase of Unani Medicines

4324. SHRI KHAN GHUFRAN ZAHIDI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total budget allotted for purchase of Unani medicines in CGHS for the last three years and how much is utilised;

(b) whether it is a fact that the CGHS Unani stores have lapsed several lakhs of rupees from the allotted budget for the last three years; and

(c) if so, what action has been taken against the officials responsible for mismanagement of CGHS Unani stores?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM) : (a) The requisite information is given below :

Year	Total allotted Budget	Expediture
1997-98	Rs. 86,00,000	Rs. 80,00,000
1998-99	Rs. 86,00,000	Rs. 34,05,557
1999-2000	Rs. 86,00,000	Rs. 30,09,228

(b) The expenditure on purchase of Unani medicines has proportionately decreased and full budget provision could not be utilised as there has been a declining trend in attendance of beneficiaries in Unani dispensaries/units during the last 3 years.

(c) In view of the position stated at (b) above, the question does not arise.

Primary Health Care Infrastructure

4325. SHRI GANDHI AZAD : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are proposing relaxing the norms for primary health care infrastructure in the areas inhabited by SCs/STs, primitives tribal groups in hill and desert areas; and

(b) if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM) : (a) and (b) The Primary Health Care Infrastructure, developed as a three tier system and based on